## **Community Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Newsletter**

The current FPCON level is posted at each gate and on all facilities in the Vilseck/Grafenwoehr Military Communities. For your review, the following are the definitions of the four FPCON levels:

**FPCON ALPHA** – This condition applies when there is a general threat of possible terrorist activity against personnel and facilities, the nature and extent of which are unpredictable, and circumstances do not justify full implementation of FPCON BRAVO measures. However, it may be necessary to implement certain measures from higher FPCONS resulting from intelligence received or as a deterrent. The measures in this FPCON must be capable of being maintained indefinitely.

**FPCON BRAVO** – This condition applies when an increased and more predictable threat of terrorist activity exists. The measures in this FPCON must be capable of being maintained for weeks without causing undue hardship, affecting operational capability, and aggravating relations with local authorities.

**FPCON CHARLIE** – This condition applies when an incident occurs or intelligence is received indicating some form of terrorist action against personnel and facilities is imminent. Implementation of measures in this FPCON for more than a short period probably will create hardship and affect the peacetime activities of the unit and its personnel.

**FPCON DELTA** – This condition applies in the immediate area where a terrorist attack has occurred or when intelligence has been received that terrorist action against a specific location or person is likely. Normally, this FPCON is declared as a localized condition.

At FPCON "Charlie" the following are just some of the additional measures being implemented to ensure your safety: Increase in inspection of vehicles, bags, and packages; increase in the level and randomness of patrolling, both vehicle and walking patrols; increase of ID checks of facilities (i.e. AAFES and Commissary; augmentation of Host Nation Police and German Army soldiers; and, inspection of school bus routes by Polizei.) Additionally, all group travel of 10 or more requires the BSB Commander's approval prior to the event. Request must be submitted two weeks prior to the event to the BSB S-2. Please contact the BSB S-2 at DSN 476-2802 or civilian 09662-832802 for details.

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Polizei (German Police)



**Bundeswehr (German Military)** 



**Bundesgrenzschutz (German Border Police)** 





Your part in force protection is the identification of suspicious activity. Be aware of your surroundings and report anything that is out of place. Please gather the following information when you are reporting suspicious activity:

- Who: description of who is involved in the incident.
- What: description of what the situation is.
- Where: location of the situation.
- When: time and date of the situation.
- Why: possible reasons
- How: description of how the situation is taking place.

Please report all suspicious activity to the <u>Vilseck Military Police</u> at DSN 476-2490/2890 or civilian 09662-832490/2890. Emergency number is 114. <u>Grafenwoehr Military Police</u> at DSN 475-8319/7750 or civilian 09641-838319/7750. Emergency number is 114.